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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Masami Ogata et al.
Appl. No. : 09/434,565
Filed : November 12, 1999
Title : Image Processing Apparatus and Image Processing Method
Art Unit : 2624
Examiner : Wenpeng Chen

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- No additional fee is required.
 The fee has been calculated as shown below.
 This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

Claims as Amended

(1)	(2) Claims remaining after amendment	(3)	(4) Highest number previously paid for	(5) Present extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee
Total claims	26	Minus 20	** =116	* x	\$18 (9)	= \$00.00
Independent claims	2	Minus	*** =8	* x	\$86 (43)	= \$00.00
Total additional fee for this amendment						\$00.00

* If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.

** If the highest number of total claims previously paid for is less than 20, write "20" in this space.

*** If the highest number of independent claims previously paid for is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

This application contains a multiple dependent claim. The required fee of \$ has been previously paid , or is paid herewith

This response is being filed within the three month period following the expiration of the term originally set therefor. This is a petition to request a _____ month extension of time. A check covering the cost of the petition is enclosed.

A check in the amount of \$.00 is attached, which covers the cost of additional claims _____ petition for extension of time.

Charge \$_____ to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

Please charge any additional fees incurred by reason of this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

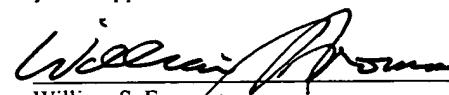
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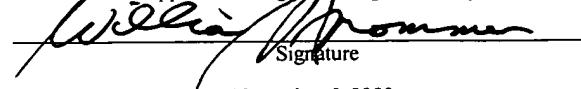
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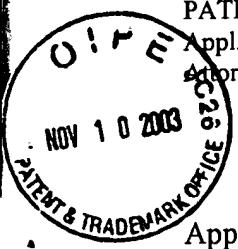

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of August 6, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 10 and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11.

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